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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application	:	COSTELLO
For	:	TAILGATE STABILIZER
Serial No.	:	10/058,188
Filed	:	January 29, 2002
Examiner	:	Devon C. Kramer
Group Art Unit	:	3683
Confirmation No.	:	3935
Last Office Action	:	None
Attorney Docket No.	:	BGEE 2 13201

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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 28, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Attorney Docket No.: BGEE 2 13201

Serial No.: 10/058,188	Filing Date: January 29, 2002	Examiner: D. Kramer
Group Art Unit: 3683	Title of Invention: TAILGATE STABILIZER	

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fees have been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Rate
Total Claims	16	Minus	25	-0- x	[18] [9]	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	2	Minus	2	-0- x	[84] [42]	\$ 0.00

xx No claim fees are believed to be due.

 Please charge Deposit Account No 06-0308 in the amount of \$ ____.

 Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and request a ____ month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A check in the amount of \$ ____ is attached.

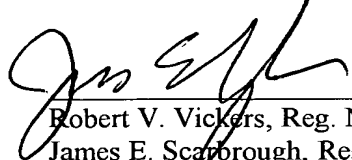
xx Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and request any additional extensions of time that may be necessary and authorize the extension of time fees to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

xx Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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